

Whereas, there is a need for an immediate examination of existing federal programs and policies impacting the dairy industry in order to develop approaches that better help to stabilize farm incomes, and hence benefit farmers as well as local communities and local infrastructure; and

Whereas, there is a renewed recognition by dairy farm and dairy industry leaders from all sections of the United States that the current pricing crisis is not of benefit to farmers or their customers, including cooperatives, processors, retailers, and consumers; and

Whereas, the Louisiana Legislature recognizes the importance of an economically viable dairy industry, and its benefit to local economies as well as the national economy: Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Legislature of Louisiana Memorializes the Congress of the United States to work with the leadership of the United States dairy industry, including the leadership of its two major trade organizations, the National Milk Producers Federation and the International Dairy Foods Association, to take steps to bring all industry leaders together immediately to identify measures, including change to federal policies and programs, to minimize price volatility risks now being experienced by dairy farmers across the United States; be it further

*Resolved*, That Congressional leadership be urged to work cooperatively with the United States Secretary of Agriculture and his staff on these issues inasmuch as federal policies and procedures have an impact on domestic and international dairy prices; be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives and to each member of the Louisiana delegation to the United States Congress.

POM-122. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana urging Congress to support continued investment and progress in implementing the "Action Plan for Reducing Hypoxia in the North Gulf of Mexico" by expanding cooperative activities throughout the Mississippi River Basin; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

#### SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 40

Whereas, the spread of a large annual hypoxia zone in the Gulf of Mexico poses a significant threat to the health of Louisiana's productive coastal fishery and the communities and parishes who depend on it; and

Whereas, the state of Louisiana has participated in the national effort to reduce the spread of Gulf hypoxia since the formation of the federal-state Mississippi River/Gulf of Mexico Watershed Nutrient Task Force in 1998; and

Whereas, the Louisiana Legislature has memorialized the Congress and the President of the United States to fulfill their commitment to address this problem through the cooperative framework of the Action Plan for Reducing Hypoxia in the Northern Gulf of Mexico, in House Concurrent Resolution 80 of the 2007 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana and House Concurrent Resolution 148 of the 2009 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana; and

Whereas, the launching of the Mississippi River Basin Healthy Watersheds Initiative by the United States Department of Agriculture in 2009, marks the first targeted federal funding for implementation activities of the Action Plan since it was signed in 2001; and

Whereas, Louisiana has joined the other states in the Mississippi River Basin who are participating in this initiative to engage

partners and stakeholders in nominating watersheds to receive federal funding under this program; and

Whereas, the President's Budget for Fiscal Year 2011, also contains funding dedicated to Action Plan implementation activities under the budget of the United States Environmental Protection Agency; and

Whereas, our neighboring state of Mississippi has accepted the role of co-chair of the Mississippi River/Watershed Nutrient Task Force, continuing their active collaboration with Louisiana and federal and basin partners to address problems affecting each state's coast and the Gulf of Mexico; and

Whereas, these steps represent a significant acceleration of progress, while all parties involved recognize that much more remains to be done to reverse the spread of Gulf hypoxia, which requires Congressional participation and support: Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby memorialize the Congress of the United States to support continued investment and progress in implementing the Action Plan for Reducing Hypoxia in the North Gulf of Mexico by expanding cooperative activities throughout the Mississippi River Basin; be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate, the clerk of the United States House of Representatives, each member of the Louisiana delegation to the Congress of the United States, and the presiding officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of May 28, 2010, the following reports of committees were submitted on June 4, 2010:

By Mr. LEVIN, from the Committee on Armed Services, without amendment:

S. 3454. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 111-201).

S. 3455. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

S. 3456. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for military construction, and for other purposes.

S. 3457. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and for other purposes.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS DURING ADJOURNMENT

On June 4, 2010, under the authority of the order of the Senate of May 28, 2010, the following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 3454. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activi-

ties of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Armed Services; placed on the calendar.

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S. 3455. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Armed Services; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 3456. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for military construction, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Armed Services; placed on the calendar.

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S. 3457. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Armed Services; placed on the calendar.

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By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 3458. A bill to improve the program under section 8(a) of the Small Business Act and to establish a surety bond pilot program; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. 3459. A bill to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to authorize additional funding for on-the-job training; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. KAUFMAN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LEAHY, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. KERRY):

S. 3460. A bill to require the Secretary of Energy to provide funds to States for rebates, loans, and other incentives to eligible individuals or entities for the purchase and installation of solar energy systems for properties located in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 3461. A bill to create a fair and efficient system to resolve claims of victims for economic injury caused by the Deepwater Horizon incident, and to direct the Secretary of the Interior to renegotiate the terms of the lease known as "Mississippi Canyon 252" with respect to claims relating to the Deepwater Horizon explosion and oil spill that exceed existing applicable economic liability limitations; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 21

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 21, a bill to reduce unintended pregnancy, reduce abortions, and improve access to women's health care.